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Lebanon: The assassination of three pro-Chamoun partisan leaders on 10 August will intensify fear among Chamoun's supporters that they will be the targets of "massacres" from which General Shihab will be unwilling or unable to protect them. Militant Christian groups in particular will probably resist attempts to disarm them for fear that political murders will turn into religious feuding. Further assassination attempts against Chamoun supporters, possibly including members of the present cabinet, are likely.

Ethiopia-Sudan: Ethiopian officials remain gravely concerned over the UAR threat to the Sudan. A confidential envoy from Sudanese Premier Khalil is now in Addis Ababa to discuss cooperation between the two countries.

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Ethiopia Promises Assistance to Sudanese Premier Khalil

Ethiopian officials, in discussion with American representatives, have described the situation in the Sudan as grave and called for American understanding and especially financial aid for an Ethiopian program to combat Egyptian subversive efforts. Acting Ethiopian Prime Minister Aklilou reported that an envoy from Sudanese Premier Khalil was in Addis Ababa to discuss means of cooperation between Ethiopia and the Sudan to arrest the growth of UAR influence in Khartoum.

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The Ethiopian official's plea for American financial assistance stressed the amount spent by Cairo to subvert the Sudanese Government and armed forces, and he emphasized Ethiopia's inability either to match such subsidizing or to counter Egypt's propaganda campaign among the large Moslem minority of Ethiopia.

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